

House Resolution 1513 (AS PASSED HOUSE AND SENATE)

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Dedicating certain portions of the state highway system; and for other purposes.

### 2 **PART I**

3 WHEREAS, George Franklin Green was born on September 27, 1924, in Bostwick, Georgia,  
4 the eldest son of Rice Burkitt Green, Jr., and Rubye Riden Green; and

5 WHEREAS, he married the former Helen Montine Maxwell of Lexington, Georgia, on  
6 June 4, 1944, and from this marriage were born three children: George Franklin Green, Jr.,  
7 of Sparta, Georgia, Helen "Sistie" Claudia Green Hudson, also of Sparta, Georgia, and  
8 Wallace Maxwell Green of Peachtree City, Georgia; and

9 WHEREAS, George Green graduated from Bostwick High School in 1941 and North  
10 Georgia College in 1947 and he went on to graduate from the Medical College of Georgia  
11 in 1951; and

12 WHEREAS, in between times during his college career, he pulled two hitches in the Army,  
13 one from 1943-1946 as an infantry captain in the Pacific Theatre, and he re-enlisted in 1951  
14 during the Korean conflict and served until 1953 in the medical corps at Ft. Rucker,  
15 Alabama, and Ft. Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas, also completing his internship at this  
16 time; and

17 WHEREAS, in 1953, a classmate, Dr. David Tanner, brought him to Sparta, Georgia, to join  
18 his practice, and Dr. Green practiced medicine in Sparta and Eatonton continuously until he  
19 suffered a stroke in 1991; and

20 WHEREAS, not only was Dr. Green busy in his practice but he was also busy in civic affairs  
21 and the political arena, and, among his many accomplishments, he was a Charter Fellow of  
22 the American Academy of Family Physicians, lifetime member of the American, Southern,  
23 and Georgia Medical Associations, Chief of Staff of Hancock Memorial and Putnam General

24 Hospitals, Deacon of the Sparta Baptist Church, a Mason, Shriner, Director of the Boy  
25 Scouts of America Council, President of the Hancock Redevelopment Corporation, Director  
26 of the Bank of Hancock County, Chairman of the Putnam and Hancock County Boards of  
27 Health, Member of the Georgia State Board of Nursing Home Administrators, Chairman of  
28 the Hancock Hospital Corporation, Alderman and later Mayor of the City of Sparta, Hancock  
29 County Commissioner, and member of the Georgia House of Representatives from  
30 1987-1991; and

31 WHEREAS, Dr. Green's practice and his love of Hancock County, Georgia, remain  
32 legendary to this day and he was well-known for his "bedside manner," his "good-listening  
33 ear," and his genuine respect for his patients; and

34 WHEREAS, he particularly loved bringing new life into the world and as best as can be  
35 determined, he delivered 14,000 babies during his almost 40 year practice; and

36 WHEREAS, in 1860, Kitchen Little of Putnam County owned almost 4,000 acres of land  
37 bordering the Oconee River in the Rockville District; and

38 WHEREAS, he farmed the land and raised a family of 11 children; and

39 WHEREAS, another member of the family, Milt Little started operating a ferry after General  
40 Sherman tore down the only bridge in the area and he operated the ferry boat himself and  
41 charged passengers a toll; and

42 WHEREAS, the ferry was very popular because it was the straightest route between Atlanta  
43 and Augusta; and

44 WHEREAS, in 1925, the state took over the ferry and operated it until a new bridge was built  
45 in the late 1940's; and

46 WHEREAS, when the bridge was finished "Little's Ferry" ceased to operate after a run of 85  
47 years; and

48 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that Dr. George Franklin Green and the Little  
49 Family be memorialized by dedicating a bridge in their memory.

**PART II**

WHEREAS, Millard Fuller was born on January 3, 1935, in the small cotton mill town of Lanett, Alabama, and graduated from Auburn University and the University of Alabama School of Law; and

WHEREAS, he became a self-made millionaire by the age of 29 and could have lived out the rest of his life in comfort, but instead he and his wife sold all of their possessions, donated the proceeds to the poor, and began searching for a new purpose for their lives; and

WHEREAS, he and his wife established Habitat for Humanity in Americus, Georgia, in 1976; and

WHEREAS, Habitat for Humanity has constructed more than 300,000 homes for 1,500,000 people and has a presence in all 50 States, the District of Columbia, Guam, Puerto Rico, and more than 90 countries around the world; and

WHEREAS, in 2005, Millard Fuller established The Fuller Center for Housing, which provides support and guidance to local organizations to repair and build homes for impoverished individuals; and

WHEREAS, he committed his life to philanthropy and service to others while raising global concern for homelessness and poverty; and

WHEREAS, Millard Fuller was awarded the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the nation's highest civilian honor, by President Clinton in 1996; and

WHEREAS, Millard Fuller passed away on February 3, 2009, leaving behind a loving wife, a proud family, and a legacy that will extend far beyond his life, and it is only fitting and proper that a lasting memorial to this life well lived be established.

**PART III**

WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Dual Broadrick graduated from Dalton High School in 1936 and enlisted in the military on January 19, 1941; and

78 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty with the United  
79 States Army Air Corps during World War II, bravely and valiantly defending democracy as  
80 a ball turret gunner on a B-17 Flying Fortress; and

81 WHEREAS, in July, 1944, he was assigned to the 390th Bomb Group, Eighth Air Force  
82 stationed in England, and on November 30th of that year, on a mission to bomb Merseburg,  
83 Germany, Mr. Broadrick's plane was shot down, forcing him to parachute into enemy  
84 territory; and

85 WHEREAS, he was taken as a prisoner of war and after several moves to different camps,  
86 he was placed in the permanent POW camp at Staffelnstein, which was liberated five months  
87 after his capture on April 29, 1945; and

88 WHEREAS, respected and admired by the people of Whitfield County, Mr. Broadrick was  
89 elected to serve as Clerk of the Superior Court of Whitfield County in 1964; and

90 WHEREAS, for 20 years, Mr. Broadrick served as an honest and dedicated public servant  
91 who strove for excellence in all his endeavors and whose primary concern was the fair and  
92 impartial administration of justice; and

93 WHEREAS, he was known as a clear thinker and hard worker, as a man whose strong  
94 convictions were supported by meticulous research and careful consideration, and as an  
95 equitable, impartial leader whose decisions were governed by the rules of honesty and fair  
96 play; and

97 WHEREAS, upon his retirement from public service, Mr. Broadrick became a gentleman  
98 farmer, enjoying the company of his family and friends until his passing on August 20, 2008,  
99 at the age of 92; and

100 WHEREAS, Mr. Broadrick's life story of strength, courage, service, and perseverance serves  
101 as an inspiration to all Georgians and is worthy of recognition.

102 **PART IV**

103 WHEREAS, Harry E. Chesser courageously answered his country's call to defend freedom  
104 by serving as a door gunner on a search and rescue helicopter as a member of the United  
105 States Army in Vietnam from September 23, 1969, until August 15, 1970; and

106 WHEREAS, he was killed in action on August 15, 1970, in Quang Ngai Province, South  
107 Vietnam; and

108 WHEREAS, his selfless sacrifice for the sake of our freedom halfway around the world  
109 represents what is the best about Americans and America; and

110 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia and Brantley County owe a debt of gratitude to this native  
111 son for the sacrifice of his young life at 21 years of age; and

112 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that the ultimate sacrifice of this brave warrior be  
113 honored by dedicating a lasting memorial in his memory.

114 **PART V**

115 WHEREAS, on February 24, 2005, the State of Georgia lost one of its finest and most  
116 outstanding citizens with the passing of Deputy Sheriff Blake Gammill of Douglas County  
117 as a result of wounds that he received while attempting to serve a warrant; and

118 WHEREAS, Blake Gammill upheld the highest standards of professional excellence in law  
119 enforcement in all that he did; and

120 WHEREAS, this exceptional individual exhibited outstanding leadership, patriotism,  
121 courage, and dedication in his service to the citizens of Douglas County and this state; and

122 WHEREAS, he was honored in 2002 by receiving the Douglas County Sheriff's Department's  
123 Medal of Valor for heroism in the line of duty for rescuing a citizen from a burning vehicle  
124 following a traffic accident; and

125 WHEREAS, his unparalleled leadership talents, his remarkable patience and diplomacy, his  
126 keen sense of vision, and his acute sensitivity to the needs of the citizens of his county and  
127 state earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates, and it is only  
128 proper and fitting to honor his sacrifice with a lasting memorial.

129 **PART VI**

130 WHEREAS, during his lifetime, Alpha Fowler, Jr., served the citizens of Douglasville and  
131 Douglas County in many ways; and

132 WHEREAS, his dedicated service extended from the battlegrounds of Europe in World  
133 War II to the halls of the State Capitol in Atlanta to the local business community and  
134 various organizations and institutions; and

135 WHEREAS, he was a bomber pilot who received the Distinguished Flying Cross during  
136 World War II; and

137 WHEREAS, he represented Douglas County in the Georgia General Assembly from 1950  
138 through 1964 when he won a post on the Public Service Commission where he served until  
139 1970; and

140 WHEREAS, he served as the head of the Georgia National Guard and started the Georgia Air  
141 National Guard, rising to the rank of brigadier general; and

142 WHEREAS, he was the owner of the first movie theater in Douglas County which was  
143 located on the site of the present Douglasville City Hall; and

144 WHEREAS, he founded Douglas County Federal, started and operated Fowler Egg Farm,  
145 and was involved in many local boards and commissions; and

146 WHEREAS, he was instrumental in obtaining funding for the construction of the Chapel Hill  
147 Road bridge over Interstate Highway 20 in Douglas County, and it is only proper and fitting  
148 to honor his service with a lasting memorial.

149 **PART VII**

150 WHEREAS, on November 15, 1903, Harry Garrett Fulcher, nicknamed "T" by his family,  
151 was born in McBean, Georgia, to Benjamin Gilbert Fulcher and Maryam Meyer Fulcher; and

152 WHEREAS, "T" worked as a kiln operator at the Babcock & Wilcox Plant for 30 years  
153 where his wife, Ostelle, also worked as a secretary. They married in 1935 and were blessed  
154 with two children, Susan and Garrett; and

155 WHEREAS, in 1946, at Miller's Pond, "T" and Ostelle opened T's Restaurant in McBean;  
156 and

157 WHEREAS, "T" possessed a unique combination of love for people and of fishing, and this  
158 was a perfect recipe for an outstanding seafood restaurant. "T" and Ostelle's devotion to this

159 restaurant created a loyal following, and in 1952, they built T's Seafood Restaurant at its  
160 present location; and

161 WHEREAS, "T" and Ostelle passed away in 1983, but the Fulcher family has been proud to  
162 carry on the family tradition of great food and Southern hospitality for over 57 years; and

163 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper to dedicate a bridge in honor of "T" Fulcher and his  
164 outstanding contributions to the quality of life in Richmond County, Georgia.

165 **PART VIII**

166 WHEREAS, Charles Thomas Edwards, son of Colonel C.H. and Nancy Edwards was born  
167 July 31, 1893. He married Miss Myra Bulgin in 1918, and they had three daughters: Mrs.  
168 Frank Burrell, Mrs. Walker Brock, and Mrs. Paul Kendricks. Mr. Edwards was called to his  
169 reward February 18, 1974; and

170 WHEREAS, Mr. Edwards received his education at Young Harris College and Emory  
171 University. After teaching several years in the public schools of Georgia, he resigned to take  
172 a job with the State Highway Department. He was an educated, efficient, and dependable  
173 worker; and

174 WHEREAS, Charles Edwards was exceptionally active in civic and church affairs. He was  
175 superintendent of Jasper County Schools, Mayor of Monticello, and a State Highway  
176 Engineer and represented Jasper County in the Georgia Senate. He was a past Master of  
177 Jasper Lodge Number 50 of Free and Accepted Masons, Monticello, Georgia; and

178 WHEREAS, a Methodist with fervor, he gave freely of his time, talents, gifts, and prayers.  
179 He served as Sunday school superintendent, member of the official board, church treasurer,  
180 and trustee, and he represented his church at district and annual conferences and taught a  
181 Sunday school class over a period of 60 years; and

182 WHEREAS, he is the author of three books: *Tales of the Blue Ridge*, *A Blue Ridge Mountain*  
183 *Boy*, and *God Is Good*. The first two books stem from events in his own life and in the lives  
184 of his Blue Ridge neighbors. The last book is an expression of his own belief in God. In  
185 these, he left a heritage of folklore and faith to his family and to lovers of Georgia traditions;  
186 and

187 WHEREAS, those who had the rich privilege of knowing him will remember him as a man  
188 of great faith, wholesome humor, and warm friendliness. They will remember him as a man  
189 quick to champion the right and to make clear his disapproval of the wrong. His solid  
190 integrity was eloquent and his presence a moral strength in any group; and

191 WHEREAS, it is only proper to honor the memory of this life well-lived with a lasting  
192 memorial.

193 **PART VIII-A**

194 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia contains countless sites relating to the American Civil War  
195 era, including antebellum, military, civilian, African American, women's, Reconstruction,  
196 and other significant history; and

197 WHEREAS, many of these historic sites would be greatly enhanced, both educationally for  
198 our children and as tourist attractions, if properly interpreted on site and adequately  
199 promoted; and

200 WHEREAS, by dividing the entire state into six historic regions—the Chickamauga & Atlanta  
201 campaigns, the March to the Sea, the pursuit of Jefferson Davis, Wilson's Raid, the Northeast  
202 Georgia mountains, and South Georgia's agricultural bounty—a comprehensive history of  
203 Georgia's Civil War era can be told through the creation, marketing, and maintenance of six  
204 historic driving trails; and

205 WHEREAS, beginning in 2000, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization of dedicated Georgians  
206 known as Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails began working on the development of six such  
207 historic driving trails; and

208 WHEREAS, Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails has already raised over \$1 million in federal  
209 grants, plus hundreds of thousands more in both private and public funds, involving well over  
210 100 Georgia city and county jurisdictions to date, plus thousands of Georgia's citizens, and  
211 has begun the installation of approximately 300 historic interpretive markers, over 2,000  
212 roadway directional trailblazer signs, the construction of several roadside parking pull-off  
213 areas, and the initial printing of over one million new educational/tourist brochures with an  
214 informative website ([www.gcwht.org](http://www.gcwht.org)); and

215 WHEREAS, in order for Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails to continue toward full  
216 development and success, it needs the continuing cooperation of the Georgia Department of



217 Transportation, of other state agencies, and of local municipalities across the State of  
218 Georgia; and

219 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia, having joined in financially assisting the efforts of Georgia  
220 Civil War Heritage Trails, desires to avoid wasting any taxpayer funds by duplicating  
221 Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails in any manner or form and to avoid confusing Georgia's  
222 citizens, guests, and tourists by the duplication of names, titles, logos, signage, routes, or any  
223 other distinguishing characteristics of a Civil War era historic driving trail.

224 **PART IX**

225 WHEREAS, the Honorable Hugh D. Sosebee was born in Forsyth County, Georgia, on  
226 October 9, 1916; and

227 WHEREAS, he earned his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Georgia and his  
228 Juris Doctorate degree from the Walter F George School of Law at Mercer University; and

229 WHEREAS, he has served Monroe County and the Flint Judicial Circuit for the past 56  
230 years, being elected and serving as the Solicitor General of the Flint Judicial Circuit from  
231 1954-1963, as the sole Judge of the Superior Court, Flint Judicial Circuit, from 1964-1978,  
232 and serving as a Senior Judge from 1978 to the present; and

233 WHEREAS, the Honorable Hugh D. Sosebee has had a profound effect on Monroe County  
234 by envisioning and helping to build the first and present hospital in Monroe County as a  
235 member of the Hospital Board, by serving as a charter member of the Monroe County  
236 Chamber of Commerce, and by serving as the County Attorney and the City Attorney of  
237 Forsyth, Georgia; and

238 WHEREAS, he served as the longest serving member of the State Bar of Georgia Board of  
239 Governors, as a Justice of the Supreme Court of Georgia during disqualifications, and as a  
240 charter member of the Georgia Code Revision Committee; and

241 WHEREAS, the Honorable Hugh D. Sosebee has devoted his life to his family, community,  
242 State, and God; and his tireless work, personal honesty and integrity, and dedication to the  
243 courts has inspired confidence in the judicial system as a whole.

244 **PART X**

245 WHEREAS, our nation's security continues to rely on patriotic men and women who put  
246 their personal lives on hold in order to place themselves in harm's way to protect the  
247 freedoms that all United States citizens cherish; and

248 WHEREAS, the veterans of Peach County, Georgia, which include members of the Army,  
249 Navy, Air Force, Marines, and Coast Guard, have been an indispensable part of our nation's  
250 efforts to promote democracy, peace, and freedom; and

251 WHEREAS, all Americans owe a debt of gratitude to the men and women of the United  
252 States armed forces who risk their lives in the defense of freedom and to secure the blessings  
253 of liberty for this nation and other peoples of the world; and

254 WHEREAS, Georgia's veterans have long been recognized by the citizens of this nation for  
255 the vital role that they have played in leadership and their deep personal commitment to the  
256 welfare of the citizens of the United States; and

257 WHEREAS, Georgia Highway 96 in Peach County has long been considered a military  
258 corridor, and it is appropriate to recognize this roadway as "Veterans' Memorial Highway"  
259 in honor of the brave and dedicated military heroes who stand ever ready to lay the ultimate  
260 sacrifice upon the altar of freedom; and

261 WHEREAS, the selfless and heroic commitment of veterans of the United States military  
262 stand as a shining tribute to the American spirit and loyalty to the principles of democracy,  
263 and it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of these  
264 remarkable and distinguished Americans be recognized appropriately; and

265 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that veterans of the United States military are  
266 honored and remembered by the dedication of Georgia Highway 96 in Peach County as  
267 "Veterans' Memorial Highway" and it stands as a constant reminder of the sacrifice made by  
268 members of the military and their willingness to find meaning in something greater than  
269 themselves.

270 **PART XI**

271 WHEREAS, Marion A. Goswick drew a sketch for the first bridge across the Conasauga  
272 River, at the location which is now known as SR 286; and

273 WHEREAS, the road was originally constructed with money raised through the poll tax; and

274 WHEREAS, the original road was built according to existing property lines, except where  
275 property owners would not agree to the use of their land, which explains the many curves in  
276 the road; and

277 WHEREAS, when Franklin D. Roosevelt was president, the Public Works Administration  
278 worked to widen the road; and

279 WHEREAS, over time, the Conasauga River has had four bridges built across it at this  
280 location: one wood, one wood and steel, and two cement, the last being built in 1959; and

281 WHEREAS, Herman Talmadge was the Governor of Georgia and Clarence Ridley was the  
282 Commissioner of Murray County when the road was designated as SR 286; and

283 WHEREAS, Marion A. Goswick carved three peach seeds into monkeys and mounted each  
284 monkey on a piece of wood, marking each with the number 286, and he sent them to  
285 Governor Herman Talmadge as a souvenir of the highway; and

286 WHEREAS, the Governor acknowledged the souvenir by writing a letter to Goswick, saying  
287 he had them on display in his office; and

288 WHEREAS, Marion Andrew Goswick married Roxie Pearl Laughridge, and to their union  
289 were born Raney Opal, Theodore, Ruth, Maga Lynn, and Creed Denton; and

290 WHEREAS, the Goswick family store was built in 1914 facing what used to be Route 2, now  
291 known as Goswick Road; and

292 WHEREAS, the Goswick family operated the store selling general merchandise until 2006—  
293 when Marion A. Goswich died, his son C.D. operated the store until he died in 1997, and  
294 then Maga Lynn Goswick Hix ran the store; and

295 WHEREAS, it is only fitting that a lasting memorial to the contributions of the Goswick  
296 family to the people of Murray County be established.

297 **PART XII**

298 WHEREAS, William Maud Bryant was born in Cochran, Georgia, on February 16, 1933;  
299 and

300 WHEREAS, he rose through the ranks to his final assignment as a Sergeant First Class in the  
301 United States Army, Company A, 5th Special Forces Group, 1st Special Forces, based in  
302 Long Khanh Province in the Republic of Vietnam; and

303 WHEREAS, he was killed in action on March 24, 1969, and was posthumously awarded the  
304 Congressional Medal of Honor for his conspicuous gallantry and intrepidity in action at the  
305 risk of his life above and beyond the call of duty; and

306 WHEREAS, SFC Bryant distinguished himself while serving as commanding officer of  
307 Civilian Irregular Defense Group Company 321, 2nd Battalion, 3rd Mobile Strike Force  
308 Command, during combat operations. The battalion came under heavy fire and became  
309 surrounded by the elements of three enemy regiments. He displayed extraordinary heroism  
310 throughout the succeeding 34 hours of incessant attack as he moved throughout the company  
311 position, heedless of the intense hostile fire, while establishing and improving the defensive  
312 perimeter, directing fire during critical phases of the battle, distributing ammunition, assisting  
313 the wounded, and providing leadership and an inspirational example of courage to his men;  
314 and

315 WHEREAS, inspired by his heroic example, his men regrouped for a final assault against the  
316 enemy, when SFC Bryant fell mortally wounded by an enemy rocket; and

317 WHEREAS, his selfless concern for his comrades at the cost of his life above and beyond  
318 the call of duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of military service and reflect  
319 great credit upon himself, his unit, and the United States Army, and it is only proper and  
320 fitting to honor his sacrifice with a lasting memorial.

321 **PART XIII**

322 WHEREAS, Harry Portier was born in Ocilla, Georgia, on March 14, 1932; and

323 WHEREAS, he grew up playing and fishing in Stump Creek (which was known by a  
324 different name to frequent visitors), because it was within walking distance of his house; and

325 WHEREAS, he played football at Irwin County High School and graduated from Ocilla High  
326 School in 1950; and

327 WHEREAS, Harry served his country in the United States Navy for four years and in the  
328 United States Air Force for four years; and

329 WHEREAS, he worked as a maintenance supervisor for the State of Florida until his  
330 retirement; and

331 WHEREAS, he passed away on December 21, 2008, after suffering a stroke; and

332 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that a lasting memorial to the life of this fine  
333 gentleman be established.

334 **PART XIV**

335 WHEREAS, many times civic and community leaders have been honored for their service  
336 and contributions to their communities by having streets, roads, buildings, or bridges named  
337 for them, and Reverend Henry Grady Jarrard is worthy of such an honor; and

338 WHEREAS, he lived a life of service to Hall County by serving as Hall County School  
339 Superintendent for about 30 years, and he brought great change in the school system by  
340 starting the comprehensive schools that are a vital part of the Hall County community today;  
341 and

342 WHEREAS, he served as Pastor of New Holland Baptist Church for 37 years, and as school  
343 superintendent and pastor he touched the lives of thousands of young people that have made  
344 Hall County a great community; and

345 WHEREAS, the people of the New Holland Community can testify to the interest that  
346 Preacher Jarrard had in the development of the young people of the community and how he  
347 gave sacrificially of his time and means to that end; and

348 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that a lasting memorial to his life of service be  
349 established.

350 **PART XV**

351 WHEREAS, Willie Lee Duckworth lived with his wife, Edna, in a blue house along  
352 Highway 242 as it edges east toward Riddleville and Bartow; and

353 WHEREAS, every couple of months, a special letter would travel the time-worn path to his  
354 door: a royalty check that made him feel like a king; and

355 WHEREAS, there were years when those checks brought more money than he made hauling  
356 pulpwood in Washington County, and the money helped put food on the table and buttons  
357 on his shirts; and

358 WHEREAS, in 1944, Willie Lee Duckworth, an unsuspecting buck private from Georgia,  
359 authored one of the most popular marching cadences in U.S. Army history; and

360 WHEREAS, at first, it simply was known as the "Duckworth Chant" but it later gained fame  
361 as "Sound Off":

362                               Ain't no use in goin' home.

363                               Jody's got your gal and gone.

364                               Ain't no use in feelin' blue.

365                               Jody's got your sister, too.

366                               Sound off!

367                               One, two.

368                               Sound off!

369                               Three, four....

370 With those words, and others, Duckworth made the journey from foot soldier to footnote in  
371 military history; and

372 WHEREAS, "Sound Off" became the title of a song performed by big band leader Vaughn  
373 Monroe, and this year marks the 58th anniversary of the movie by the same name, starring  
374 Mickey Rooney; and

375 WHEREAS, although many folks in Washington County are aware of his contribution, the  
376 march of time has delivered a generation of others who know little or nothing about his  
377 serendipitous fame; and

378 WHEREAS, he was raised by his grandparents in a sharecropper's house not far from where  
379 he lived, and when he was drafted during World War II it was the first time he had been more  
380 than 100 miles from home; and

381 WHEREAS, on orders from a noncommissioned officer, he improvised his own drill for the  
382 nine African American soldiers in his unit, and soon all the ranks were buzzing and keeping  
383 rhythm; and

384 WHEREAS, "Sound Off" is still making noise with the blessings of the young soldier who  
385 dreamed it up, and it is only fitting and proper that this marching maestro be honored by the  
386 people of Georgia.

387 **PART XVI**

388 WHEREAS, Walter Curtis Butler, Jr., was born on December 12, 1943, in Morgan County,  
389 Georgia, and passed away on August 1, 2008; and

390 WHEREAS, he was a proud product of Morgan County public schools and graduated from  
391 Pearl High School, and he resided in Morgan County his entire life and was the first African  
392 American elected official in Morgan County; and

393 WHEREAS, he served as a Morgan County Commissioner for over 25 years and served as  
394 vice chair for many years; and

395 WHEREAS, Walter Curtis Butler, Jr., was a member of the NAACP for over 40 years, was  
396 the founder of the Morgan County Branch of the NAACP, served as president of the Georgia  
397 State Conference of the NAACP for 12 years, and was a Golden Heritage Life member of  
398 the national association; and

399 WHEREAS, he was, despite his most humble and unassuming manner, a widely-known and  
400 highly-respected Civil Rights pioneer and leader not just in Madison, Morgan County, and  
401 throughout the State of Georgia, but also in the states contiguous to Georgia; and

402 WHEREAS, Walter Curtis Butler, Jr., in his many years of service as a leader in the NAACP  
403 and as a Morgan County Commissioner, was a member of and garnered numerous accolades  
404 from various civic and public organizations including the Georgia Association of Black  
405 Elected Officials; Association County Commissioners of Georgia (ACCG); State  
406 Commission on Martin Luther King, Jr., Holiday; Criminal Justice Coordinator Council

407 (2002-2006), where he served as Governor Roy Barnes' appointee; Morgan County Hospital  
408 Authority; and the Morgan County Civil League, just to name a few; and

409 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper to dedicate a bridge as a lasting memorial to his  
410 accomplishments.

411 **PART XVII**

412 WHEREAS, Paul Keenan has contributed immensely to the quality of life enjoyed by the  
413 citizens of Dougherty County and the City of Albany, Georgia, as a result of his  
414 distinguished public service; and

415 WHEREAS, this successful businessman, attorney, and Albany native served his community  
416 for 14 years as chairman of the board of commissioners of Dougherty County and four years  
417 as mayor of the City of Albany; and

418 WHEREAS, throughout both periods of public service he was instrumental in improving  
419 community relations, strengthening communication and cooperation between the city and the  
420 county governmental authorities, and promoting local economic development; and

421 WHEREAS, his business expertise and legal knowledge have enabled him to offer valuable  
422 leadership and well-reasoned solutions to various complex governmental and financial  
423 problems; and

424 WHEREAS, Paul Keenan's leadership was instrumental in the construction of many highway  
425 projects in the City of Albany and Dougherty County, including US 19, US 82, the Bypass,  
426 Oakridge Drive, Dawson Road, Gillionville Road, and Westover Road; and

427 WHEREAS, his marriage to Lucile Dennison, a fellow law student at Emory University,  
428 included rearing four accomplished children, and his public career and accomplishments  
429 reflect the endorsement, admiration, and respect he has within his family and the community  
430 at large.

431 **PART XVIII**

432 WHEREAS, Mack Hill was born in Catoosa County on May 12, 1931; and

433 WHEREAS, he was a welder and became the owner of Mack Hill's Auto Sales which he  
434 operated for over 25 years; and



435 WHEREAS, he was a member of the Quitman Masonic Lodge; and

436 WHEREAS, Mack loved gospel singing; and

437 WHEREAS, he passed away on November 27, 2009, and left behind his loving wife,  
438 Delores, and their three wonderful children, Dewayne, Sheila, and Rhonda; and

439 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that a lasting tribute to this life well-lived be  
440 established.

441 **PART XIX**

442 WHEREAS, Laurens County has always had many brave men and women willing to serve  
443 in the military to defend the freedoms of this great country; and

444 WHEREAS, some of these soldiers made the ultimate sacrifice in giving their life fighting  
445 for this great country; and

446 WHEREAS, William "Doc" Stinson was one of Laurens County's great war heroes who  
447 began his military career by joining the Army in 1946; and

448 WHEREAS, in 1949, Stinson was accepted to West Point and graduated as a member of the  
449 class of 1953; and

450 WHEREAS, in 1962, Stinson was among the first advisers sent to Vietnam, where he was  
451 shot and wounded in his legs while on a patrol; and

452 WHEREAS, after recovering from his combat wounds, Stinson was assigned to teach at  
453 West Point until 1966 when he took another command in Hawaii; and

454 WHEREAS, in 1968, after requesting a combat command, Lt. Col. "Doc" Stinson was given  
455 command of the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry Regiment, 198th Light Infantry Brigade of the  
456 23rd "American" Division; and

457 WHEREAS, on several occasions, Stinson flew his command helicopter into lethal situations  
458 to assist with the rescue of his men, earning him a Silver Star; and

459 WHEREAS, on March 3, 1969, one of Stinson's platoons was engaged in a fight with the  
460 enemy, and Stinson took his command helicopter into the battle to provide a fresh supply of  
461 ammunition and to help evacuate the dead and wounded, and while helping to lift two dead  
462 soldiers into the helicopter, Stinson was mortally wounded; and

463 WHEREAS, it is only fitting and proper that a lasting memorial to this brave soldier be  
464 established.

465 **PART XX**

466 WHEREAS, John Waggoner served as mayor of the City of Colbert for a period of 40 years;  
467 and

468 WHEREAS, during his term as mayor, he was a leader in improving the appearance of the  
469 front door to the city, SR 72, which runs through the center of the city; and

470 WHEREAS, Mayor Waggoner left office when his term expired in 2009; and

471 WHEREAS, it is only proper and fitting to honor the exhaustive and dedicated service of  
472 John Waggoner to the citizens of Colbert for close to half a century.

473 **PART XXI**

474 WHEREAS, Dolph Fuller, Jr., was a three-term mayor of Fairmount, Georgia;

475 WHEREAS, he was a lifetime resident and farmer in Gordon County; and

476 WHEREAS, he was a World War II veteran, Farm Bureau president, and Kiwanis Club  
477 president; and

478 WHEREAS, Dolph was an outstanding citizen and much admired city official; and

479 WHEREAS, he was a man of great character and integrity and it is only proper and fitting  
480 to honor him with a lasting memorial.

481 **PART XXII**

482 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
483 GEORGIA that this body hereby joins in honoring Dr. George Franklin Green and the Little

484 Family and dedicates the bridge over the Oconee River on Georgia Highway 16 connecting  
485 Hancock and Putnam Counties as the Little's Ferry/George F. Green Memorial Bridge.

486 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in honoring Millard Fuller and  
487 that the portion of US 29 from the city limits of LaGrange to the Chattahoochee River be  
488 dedicated as the Millard Fuller Memorial Highway.

489 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body honor the life and service of  
490 Mr. Dual Broadrick and dedicate the portion of SR 201 from the intersection at Rocky Face  
491 with US 76/41 south to the Walker County line as the Dual Broadrick Memorial Highway.

492 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in honoring Harry E. Chesser and  
493 that the bridge over the Satilla River on SR 301 North in Brantley County be dedicated as  
494 the SP-5 Harry E. Chesser Memorial Bridge.

495 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in honoring Blake Gammill and  
496 that the portion of SR 5 in Douglas County from its intersection with Stewart Parkway to its  
497 intersection with SR 166 be dedicated as the Deputy Blake Gammill Memorial Highway.

498 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in honoring Alpha Fowler, Jr.,  
499 and that the Chapel Hill Road bridge over Interstate Highway 20 in Douglas County be  
500 dedicated as the Alpha Fowler, Jr., Memorial Bridge.

501 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body honor the life and service of  
502 "T" Fulcher and dedicate the bridge on SR 56 over I-520 in Richmond County as the H.G.  
503 "T" Fulcher Memorial Bridge.

504 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in honoring the life and memory  
505 of Charles Thomas Edwards and dedicates the bridge over the Ocmulgee River on SR 16 at  
506 the Jasper/Butts County line as the Charles Thomas Edwards Memorial Bridge.

507 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the six driving trails already either in development or  
508 planned by Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails are to be designated as the official state-wide  
509 Civil War Era Historic Driving Trails of Georgia.

510 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails shall have the  
511 authority to plan, construct, and maintain Civil War era historic driving trails upon any

512 roadway in the State of Georgia in collaboration with the Department of Transportation and  
513 local governments.

514 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation, the Department of  
515 Economic Development, the Department of Community Affairs, the Department of Natural  
516 Resources, and any other applicable state agencies are authorized and encouraged to work  
517 cooperatively with Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails state-wide in the latter's creation and  
518 placement of appropriate historic interpretive markers, roadway directional trailblazer  
519 signage, roadside parking pull-offs, and various marketing materials, including specifically  
520 along any state and federal designated highways in all six regions state-wide in which  
521 Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails conducts its activities.

522 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation, the Department of  
523 Economic Development, the Department of Community Affairs, the Department of Natural  
524 Resources, and any other applicable state agencies are authorized and encouraged to work  
525 cooperatively with Georgia Civil War Heritage Trails in any other areas of the state not  
526 specifically mentioned in this resolution as applicable for Civil War era commemoration  
527 activities.

528 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in honoring the accomplishments  
529 and public service of the Honorable Hugh D. Sosebee and dedicates the bridge over I-75 on  
530 Tift College Drive in Monroe County, Georgia, as the Honorable Hugh D. Sosebee Bridge.

531 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby honors the service of all military  
532 veterans and recognizes Georgia Highway 96 in Peach County as "Veterans' Memorial  
533 Highway".

534 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body honor the contributions of the  
535 Goswick family to this state and their community and dedicate the bridge over the Conasauga  
536 River at SR 286 as the Goswick Family Bridge.

537 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in honoring William Maud  
538 Bryant and that the portion of SR 87 North in Bleckley County from the city limits of  
539 Cochran to the Bleckley-Twiggs County line be dedicated as the William Maud Bryant  
540 Memorial Highway.

541 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in honoring Harry L. Portier and  
542 that the bridge over Stump Creek on SR 129 in Irwin County be dedicated as the Harry L.  
543 Portier Memorial Bridge.

544 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby honors the life of service of Reverend  
545 Henry Grady Jarrard and dedicates the intersection of Jesse Jewell Parkway and Quarry  
546 Street in Hall County as the Rev. H.G. Jarrard Memorial Intersection.

547 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in offering its condolences to the  
548 family and friends of Willie Lee Duckworth upon his passing and in honoring him by  
549 dedicating the portion of SR 242 in Washington County from its intersection with SR 15 to  
550 the Jefferson County Line as the Willie Lee Duckworth Highway.

551 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in offering its condolences to the  
552 family and friends of Walter Curtis Butler, Jr., upon his passing and in honoring him by  
553 dedicating the bridge on US 441 South over I-20 at Exit 114 as the Walter Curtis Butler, Jr.  
554 Memorial Bridge.

555 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the portion of SR 3 from the Mitchell/Dougherty county  
556 line (Mile Post 0) north to the Dougherty/Lee county line (Mile Post 15.08), in Dougherty  
557 County, be dedicated as the Paul Keenan Parkway.

558 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body offer their sincere condolences  
559 to the family of Mack Ivan Hill and dedicate the bridge on SR 41 over the Catoosa Parkway  
560 as the Mack Ivan Hill Memorial Bridge.

561 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a portion of the new bypass in Laurens County from  
562 Highway 80 to Highway 441 North be dedicated as the Lt. Col. William "Doc" Stinson  
563 Highway.

564 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the members of this body honor the public service of  
565 John Waggoner and dedicate the portion of SR 72 within the city limits of Colbert as the  
566 John Waggoner Parkway.

567 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this body hereby joins in remembering the  
568 accomplishments and public service of Dolph Fuller, Jr., and dedicates the bridge over  
569 Salacoa Creek on SR 53 in Gordon County as the Dolph Fuller, Jr. Memorial Bridge.

570 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Department of Transportation is authorized and  
571 directed to erect and maintain appropriate signs dedicating the road facilities named in this  
572 resolution.

573 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed  
574 to transmit appropriate copies of this resolution to the Department of Transportation, the  
575 Little family, the family of George F. Green, the family of Millard Fuller, the family of Mr.  
576 Dual Broadrick, the family of Harry E. Chesser, the family of Blake Gammill, the family of  
577 Alpha Fowler, Jr., the family of H.G. "T" Fulcher, the family of Charles Thomas Edwards,  
578 the Department of Economic Development, the Department of Community Affairs, the  
579 Department of Natural Resources, the Honorable Hugh D. Sosebee, Representative Lynmore  
580 James, Maga Lynn Goswick Hix, the family of William Maud Bryant, the family of Harry  
581 L. Portier, the family of Reverend Henry Grady Jarrard, the family of Willie Lee Duckworth,  
582 the family of Walter Curtis Butler, Jr., Paul Keenan, the family of Mack Hill, the family of  
583 Lt. Col. William "Doc" Stinson, John Waggoner, and the family of Dolph Fuller, Jr.